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SUBJECT: CEAUSESCU 11TH CONGRESS KEYNOTE SPEECH

1. TEXT OF CEAUSESCU'S 5-HOUR 11TH PARTY CONGRESS SPEECH
NOVEMBER 25 PRESUMABLY AVAILABLE TO DEPARTMENT VIA FBIS.
FOLLOWING POINTS STRUCK US INITIALLY:
2. AS EXPECTED, CEAUSESCU HEWED TO A FIRM LINE INTERNALLY AND
PLUGGED STRONGLY FOR ROMANIA'S CONTINUED INDEPENDENCE AND
SOVEREIGNTY EXTERNALLY.
3. CEAUSESCU PLAYED UP "CRISIS OF CAPITALIST SYSTEM" MORE THAN
USUAL IN EXPLAINING WORLD ECONOMIC CRISIS. HE SAW GREATER
INSTABILITY AND DANGER, EVEN COMPARABLE TO YEARS BEFORE TWO
WORLD WARS WHICH MADE THE NEED FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS
ALL THE GREATER.
4. SPEECH LEFT RELATIONS WITH USSR AND CHINA ABOUT WHERE THEY
WERE. PARAGRAPH ON CHINA GOT WARMEST APPLAUSE OF ALL. U.S.
WAS ONLY "CAPITALIST" COUNTRY MENTIONED SPECIFICALLY IN
CEAUSESCU'S ITEMIZATION OF ROMANIA'S FOREIGN RELATIONS WITH

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POSITIVE APPRAISAL FOR FUTURE US-ROMANIAN RELATIONS.

5. ON MIDDLE EAST, ALONG WITH REITERATION OF STANDARD CALL FOR ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL AND GUARANTEES FOR INTEGRITY AND SOVEREIGNTY OF EVERY STATE, LONG PARAGRAPH DEVOTED TO SUPPORT OF PALESTINIANS. THIS SECTION ALSO INCLUDED REFERENCE TO "NEW RELATIONSHIPS -- HISTORIC RECONCILIATION -- BETWEEN PALESTINIANS AND JEWS BASED ON RECOGNITION OF EVERY PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO FREE, INDEPENDENT EXISTENCE ON PEACEFUL DEMOCRATIC COEXISTENCE".

6. CEAUSESCU SAID RCP WILL PARTICIPATE IN "PREPARATORY PROCEEDINGS" AND "CONFERENCE" OF EUROPEAN CP'S, BUT TAGGED PROMISE WITH USUAL ROMANIAN INDEPENDENT CONDITIONS FOR "NEW TYPE UNITY". CONVENING OF WORLD COMMUNIST CONFERENCE WAS SAID NOT TO BE "RIPE" BUT IN ANY CASE SAME PRINCIPLES SHOULD APPLY. COLLABORATION WITH EXTRA-COMMUNIST "PROGRESSIVE FORCES" GOT HEAVY STRESS.

7. ALTHOUGH CITING HIGHER LIVING STANDARDS NOW ENJOYED BY POPULACE, CEAUSESCU OFFERED LITTLE RELIEF FROM PRESENT FORCED PACE OF INDUSTRIALIZATION, AND ADDED NOVEL IDEA THAT COUNTRY'S DEVELOPMENT WILL PROCEED IN MANNER WHICH WILL SATISFY "SCIENTIFICALLY DETERMINED CONSUMPTION REQUIREMENTS". HE DID PUT NEW EMPHASIS ON AGRICULTURE, NOTING THAT ADDITIONAL 15-20,000 MILLION LEI HAD NOW BEEN APPROVED FOR INVESTMENT IN THIS AREA, BRINGING TOTAL UNDER ECONOMIC DIRECTIVES TO 111,000 MILLION LEI.

8. REFERRING TO CEMA, CEAUSESCU ASKED MORE ATTENTION BE GIVEN TO ESTABLISHMENT OF ADVANTAGEOUS PRICES FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS; HE ALSO CALLED FOR THE "INTENSIFICATION" OF THE DEMOCRATIC CHARACTER OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE CEMA ORGANS.

9. CEAUSESCU HAS ALSO TINKERED WITH PARTY MACHINERY AGAIN, ALTHOUGH EXTENT OF CHANGES WILL NOT BE KNOWN UNTIL AFTER ELECTIONS TO NEW BODIES. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS NOW BEEN RENAMED THE EXECUTIVE POLITICAL COMMITTEE, AND WILL ESTABLISH A PERMANENT BUREAU (WHICH MAY JUST BE TIDYING UP OF CURRENT ORGANS).

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